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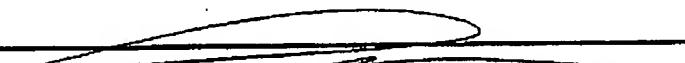
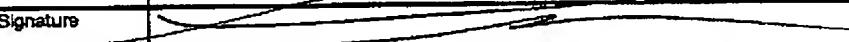
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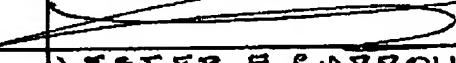
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## EXAMINATION OF APPLICATIONS

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## Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10/537,081 First Named Applicant: LESTER ERWIN CARROLL III  
Examiner: PATTERSON, MARIE D Art Unit: 3729 Status of Application: PENDING

## Tentative Participants:

(1) PATTERSON, MD (2) CARROLL, LE  
(3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_Proposed Date of Interview: 14 NOVEMBER 2007 Proposed Time: 3:00 PM (AM/PM)Type of Interview Requested:  
(1)  Telephonic (2)  Personal (3)  Video ConferenceExhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated:  YES  NO  
If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_Issues ~~2~~ Discussed

| Issues<br>(Rej., Obj., etc) | Claims/<br>Fig. #s | Prior<br>Art | Discussed                           | Agreed                   | Not Agreed               |
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## Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented:

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(see MPEP § 713.01).

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## Examiner/SPE Signature

LESTER ERWIN CARROLL III  
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Applicant proposes to amend the claim and add some dependent claims, the Examiner discussed applicants' options as to how to present new claims. The exact language of the new claims will be considered upon formal filing which occurred 21 November 2007.